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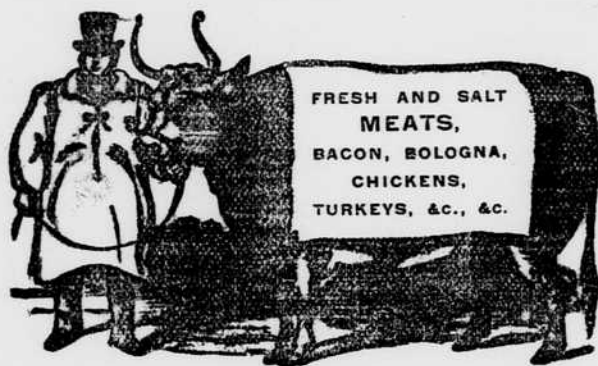
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THE MIDWINTER FAIR

SAN FRANCISCO PREPARING FOR AN INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION.

A Scheme to Exploit the Climate of California—Many Exhibits Will Be Transferred From Chicago—A Beautiful Site In Golden Gate Park.

"The glorious climate of California" was never more prominently to the fore than it will be during the coming winter if all goes well with the great Midwinter International exposition which is to open in San Francisco on Jan. 1, 1894. Less favored localities may ring the bell on the Californian when he men-



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tions climate, but the denizens of no other land have more to boast of in that regard than he, and the Californian knows it. Consequently he does not mind the bell, but goes on "talking climate" whenever he thinks it pays. Of his winter climate he is especially proud, and the annually increasing number of visitors to his country from regions where snow and ice abound during that generally inclement season ought to serve as a fair indication that his pride is justifiable.

The hope of greatly augmenting the number of such visitors during the coming winter is of course the steam that moves the whole machinery of the Midwinter fair. There is no anniversary to be celebrated, no centennial to be used as a peg on which to hang sentimental draperies. It is simply what it purports to be—a business scheme—managed by shrewd business men to attract visitors in unusual numbers.

It was conceived by some prominent Californians who were in Chicago last June viewing the wonders of the White City. California had done a great deal for the success of the Columbian exposition, and they were proud of her efforts. One of them suggested that it would be a good idea to have a similar exposition on a smaller scale on the San Francisco shore of the Golden Gate during the coming winter. Many of the best exhibits at Jackson park might be secured for it, and it would attract travelers from abroad and visitors from other states, besides giving the people at home who had not visited Chicago a chance to see some of the wonders there displayed.

The suggestion was listened to, agreed with and immediately acted upon. The wires were hot that afternoon with messages to California, and some of those Californians were scurrying around among the foreign commissioners and exhibitors interesting them in the matter. The unique idea proved attractive, and the foreigners promised generous assistance. The people at home became enthusiastic, and inside of a week every newspaper in California was printing columns about the proposed Midwinter exposition, the people of the state were discussing it, the state board of trade had endorsed it, the governor of California and the mayor of San Francisco had approved of it, a committee of promotion had been appointed, and, best of all, subscriptions and applications for space began pouring in from all sides.

By the middle of June \$100,000 had been subscribed and a concession of 60 acres of land right in the heart of the magnificent Golden Gate park had been received from the park commissioners. Early in July the executive committee was permanently organized, electing M. H. de Young president and director general, Irwin C. Stump vice president, P. N. Lilienthal treasurer, Alexander Badlam secretary and R. Cornely assistant director general. These gentlemen represented San Francisco in the committee, while the state at large was represented by Felton G. Berry of Fresno, Eugene J. Gregory of Sacramento, Jacob H. Neff of Colfax and J. E. Slauson of Los Angeles.

As soon as congress met on Aug. 7 a resolution was introduced recognizing the exposition as an international one, providing for the admission of exhibits free of tariff duties and making the fair grounds and buildings a bonded ware-



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house, as was done at Jackson park. This resolution was passed unanimously by both houses and immediately signed by President Cleveland.

In the meantime the city was being vigorously canvassed for subscriptions, and as soon as \$200,000 had been assured Director General de Young requested architects to submit plans for the buildings. Things went ahead with a rush, and the offices of the executive committee in San Francisco were the busiest place west of the Rocky mountains.

The actual work of building was begun on Aug. 24, when ground was broken in the presence of 60,000 people, the largest crowd ever assembled on the Pacific coast. Mr. de Young turned the first shovelful of earth with a silver shovel. The event was celebrated by a grand civic and military parade, and there were speechmaking, music and the booming of cannon amid the hills where a new magic city is soon to arise. The graders started in at once to prepare the site for the erection of the buildings, and

since then the work has gone merrily forward.

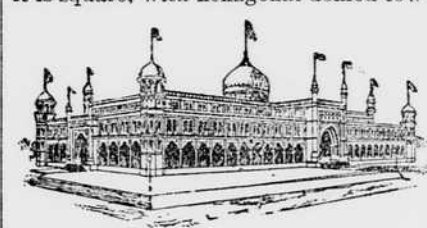
The architectural plans adopted by the executive committee include five main structures, one devoted to manufactures and the liberal arts, another to agriculture, another to the mechanic arts and another to the fine arts, the fifth being the Administration building. Of course there will be an indefinite number of other buildings, for there is to be a sort of Midway plaisance annex to the exposition, concessions for which are being eagerly sought and granted on profitable terms, and there is a reservation for buildings for commissioners from other states and foreign nations, but the five main structures, with their necessary auxiliaries, are all that the committee will be directly charged with building and maintaining.

The Manufactures and Liberal Arts building will be the largest of the five. It is to be 450 feet long and 200 feet wide. The architecture is of the Moorish school, with domed towers at the corners and in the center of the long facade. There will be a handsome colonnade all about the building, a great deal of ornamental work and pretty flower gardens in the loggias of the towers. The exterior will be creamy white in color, the material used in its construction being the familiar staff of Chicago, while the roof will be of curved red tiles. There will be a long arched skylight in the roof, but the building will also be lighted from the sides.

The Mechanic Arts building will be a large, picturesque and attractive structure, nearly as large as the Manufactures building and only 50 feet narrower. The architecture is Mohammedan, with bulbous domes and incurving scalloped arches, very richly ornamented. The entrances are somewhat suggestive of the famous Taj Mahal, though the ensemble is entirely different from that famous mausoleum. The profuse arabesque ornamentation will be done in staff and painted, and for the time the building is to be used will be quite as effective as though carved in stone.

The Agricultural building is of what is called in California "old mission" architecture, a Spanish adaptation of the Moorish that was introduced in California by the Franciscan padres when they first possessed the land. The building is really divided into three sections, the tall square tower at one end and the huge dome at the other being connected by a beautiful quadrangular structure, with an open court in the center. There will be several lesser domes and towers, and the triple arched main entrance will be especially effective from an architectural point of view.

The Administration building, the executive headquarters of the fair, is the smallest of the five structures, though one of the most effective. It is Byzantine-Moresque and very ornate. In plan it is square, with hexagonal domed towers at the corners, from which a large central hexagon tower and dome appear to spring. The domes will be gilded, and the coloring of the whole structure will be of oriental richness.



MECHANIC ARTS BUILDING.

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The Fine Arts building is the least imposing of the lot. It is to be built of brick, with Egyptian columns and a pyramidal roof, and is altogether gloomy and unattractive. It will have the negative effect of setting off by contrast the graceful beauty of the other structures, but that will accentuate its own ugliness.

There is no doubt that there will be plenty of amusement and instruction of the Midway plaisance kind at the California exposition. Nearly all the Midway concessionaires have signified their wish to go to San Francisco, and contracts have been made with many of them. Various modifications and improvements of the plaisance exhibitions have been suggested, but the most attractive features will all be transplanted, though in a little different shape. The Viennese, for instance, will duplicate a section of their famous Prater. The Cairo street and the Turkish village will probably be consolidated. The Japanese and Chinese will greatly improve on their Chicago performances—the latter especially having a plan for a splendid building of Celestial architecture. There will be another Irish village, and the Javanese will have a concession.

Golden Gate park will be in its glory during the exposition. The grass and foliage are always green and luxuriant there, but in the dry months of summer they are only kept so at an immense expense for irrigation. With the coming of the rains, however, even the less improved portions of the park and the adjacent hills don coats of living green and stay them up with flowers. Nor need any one be afraid of the so-called rainy season. It does not mean a perpetual downpour. It is really the pleasantest season of the year, for then the days are balmy, and the nights are merely cool, while there are none of the fogs and winds that are somewhat annoying in the summer. San Francisco is happily situated for the Midwinter exposition, and she will make a great success of it.

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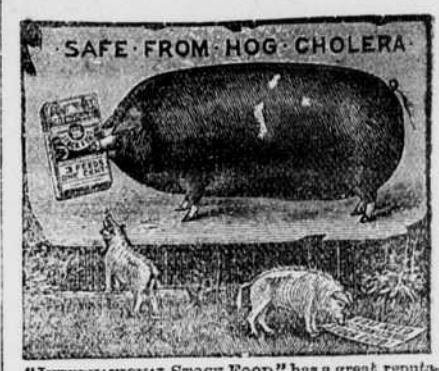
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